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PATENT

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Applicant : WILLIAMS, JEFFREY L.
Appl. No. : 10/683,541
Filed : October 10, 2003
Title : METHOD, APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE DEVICE FOR OPTIMIZING STORAGE DEVICE DISTRIBUTION WITHIN A RAID TO PROVIDE FAULT TOLERANCE FOR THE RAID

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ No additional fee is required.
☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
☒ Also attached: Petition for Extension of Time

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